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AWARD WINNERS — Jim Owens (right), coach of the University of Washington Huskies, talked with Kennewick football players honored at last night's Kiwanis Club Football Banquet. Receiving awards were (left to

right) Larry Cochran, Odie Mansfield, Ed Alden, San Francisco and Bruce Jacobs. Not pictured were Jim Shook, Gary Brehm, Carmy Mausten and Paul Sterling (Smith Photo)

Kennewick Gridders Feted By Kiwanians

The prospect of finding replacements for 25 seniors on next year's Kennewick football team was the only thing which could possibly have dimmed last night's annual Kiwanis Club Football Banquet, but awards and recognition paid the 1961 Lions outshone any thoughts about next season.

Coach Mel Thompson capped the evening when he said:

"The football season wasn't as successful as we would have liked it to be. But I can say this; in all my years of coaching I've never worked with a group of fellows who were any better—morally, scholastically, or physically. When they leave here, I'm confident that success will come to them."

Coach Jim Owens of the University of Washington was main speaker. He stressed the importance of a college education to the many young people present, and told them to begin preparing while in high school.

superintendent and past president of Kiwanis, awarded the Kiwanis Outstanding Defensive Award to Odie Mansfield.

JUNIOR VARSITY COACH Robert Hanson presented B squad quarterback Gary Brehm with the Vince Cjeka Memorial Trophy, which was given for the first time in honor of the popular young athlete and student who died suddenly last spring while practicing baseball. The trophy will be awarded annually to A junior varsity or sophomore player "who most embodies Vince's fine characteristics," Hanson said.

Hugh Horton, president of Kiwanis, served as master of ceremonies.

Also honored by the football team were Duane Piepot, Dr. Ed Payne, Jim Walker and Art Aman. They received gifts from the Lettermen's Club for the work they had done with the football team.

Al Grady was presented the Pep Club's Spectator Award by club president Margo Sivak.

Thompson introduced his entire team and managers. They include:

SENIORS—Ed Alden, Dean Ames, Don Britton, Larry Cochran, Harold DeWitt, Dave Duran, San Francisco, Gary Huttball, Bruce Jacobs, Dan Johnson, Jim Judson, Matz Koderich, Cliff Ledford, Jim Loudermilk, Odie Mansfield, Steve Mitchell, Jim Murray, Dick Ostrom, Dave Paccou, Heinz Schiemann, Jay Schuerman, Jim Shook, Mike Sullivan, John Wrenchy and Rod Ziblay.

JUNIORS—Steve Browning, Dave Campbell, Mike Casey, Richard Gardner, Delmar Hively, Marty Jeide, Bob Jancar, Ken Johnson, Frank Krook, Jim Gray, Butch Hill, Joe Hodgson, Bob Isley, Keith Jackson, Jerry Kelly, Ben Kirkpatrick, Brian Kramer, Bill Mansfield, Bill MacNeel, Bron Moncrief, Joe Neel, Clayton Porter, Bob Rossi, Ron Sickler, Terry Simmelink, Russ Smith and Frank Turner.

Managers were Bruce Berlin, Lonnie Benson, Bill Avedovech, Martin Todorovich and John Spurrell. Student trainers were Joel Anderson and Bill Floberg.